

# Metabolic Surgery for Type 2 Diabetes - Window into Pathophysiology-

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# DISCLOSURE SLIDE

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# Surgery and Physiology

**Surgical manipulations of anatomy have played a major role in advancing knowledge about physiology and disease**

Surgery has helped advance understanding the functioning of:

- Central nervous system
- Pituitary gland
- Adrenals
- Pancreas

# Bariatric Surgery and Metabolic Disease

**“criteria ex juvantibus”**

making an inference about disease causation from observations on the response of the disease to a treatment

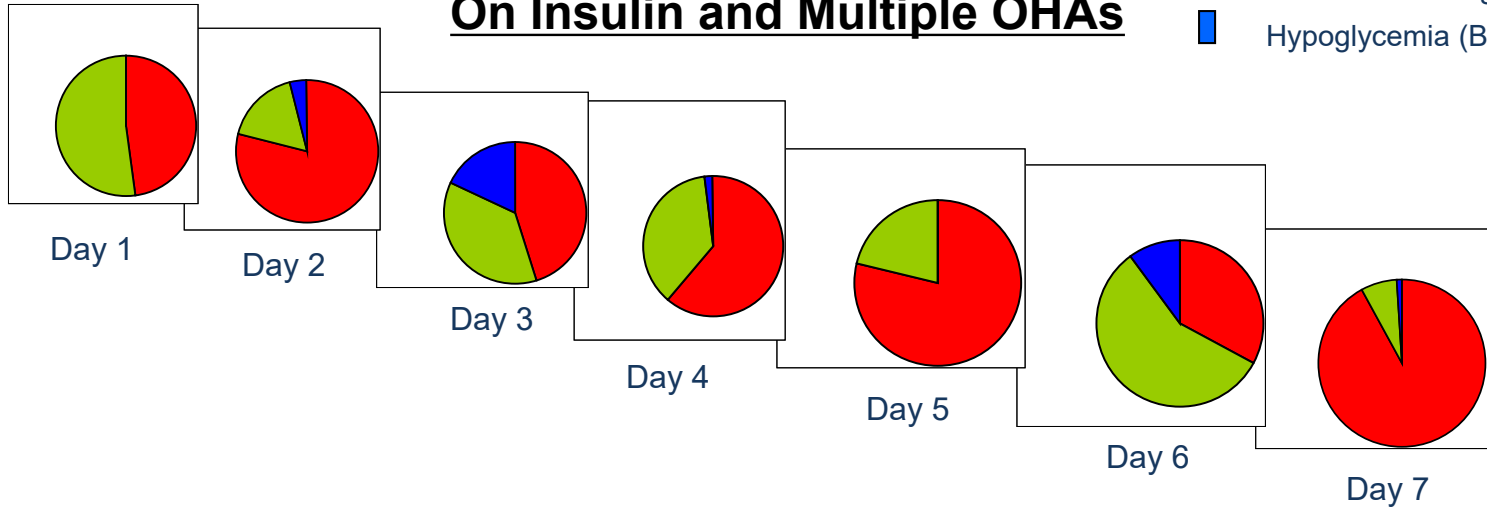
# Surgical Treatment of Type 2 Diabetes:

## Clinical Outcomes

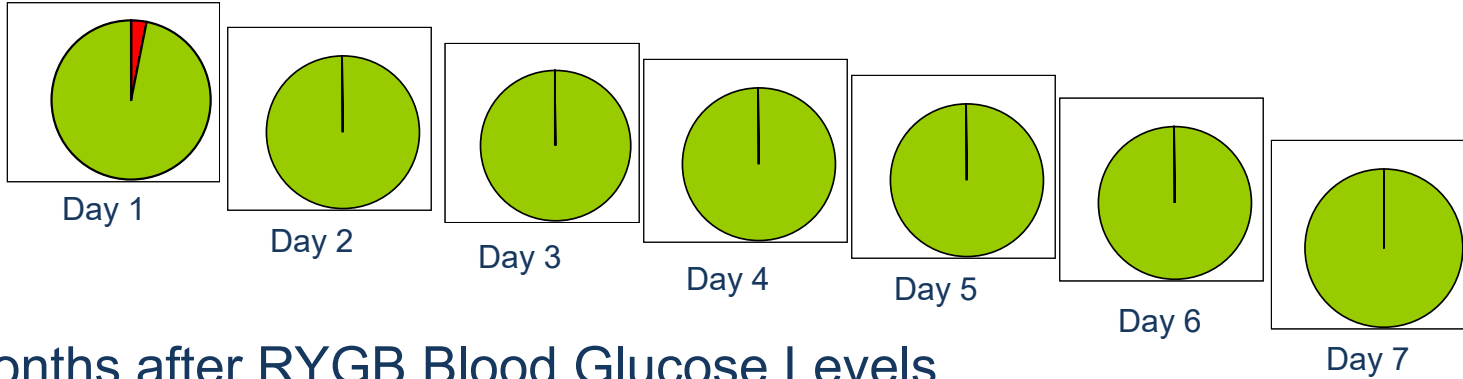
## Preoperative

**Female, 42yo, BMI 31**  
**On Insulin and Multiple OHAs**

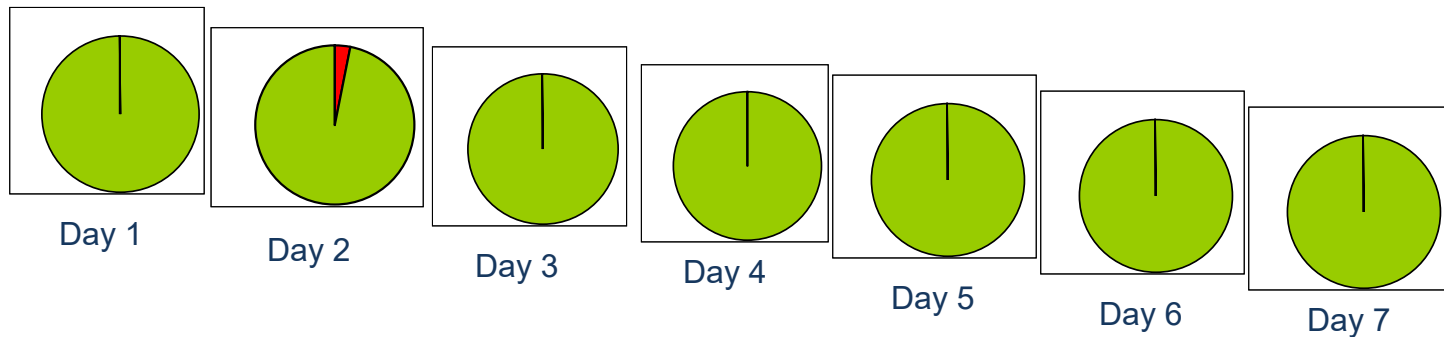
- Hyperglycemia (BG > 180mg/dl)
- Normal blood sugar (BG btwn 70-180)
- Hypoglycemia (BG < 70mg/dl)



## 2 Weeks after RYGB Blood Glucose Levels



## 3 Months after RYGB Blood Glucose Levels

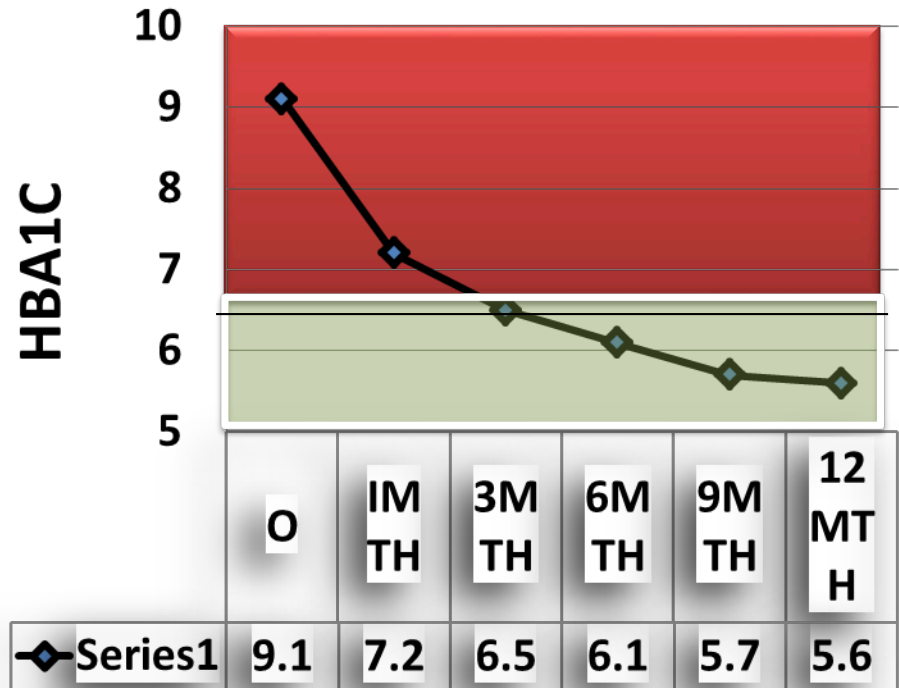
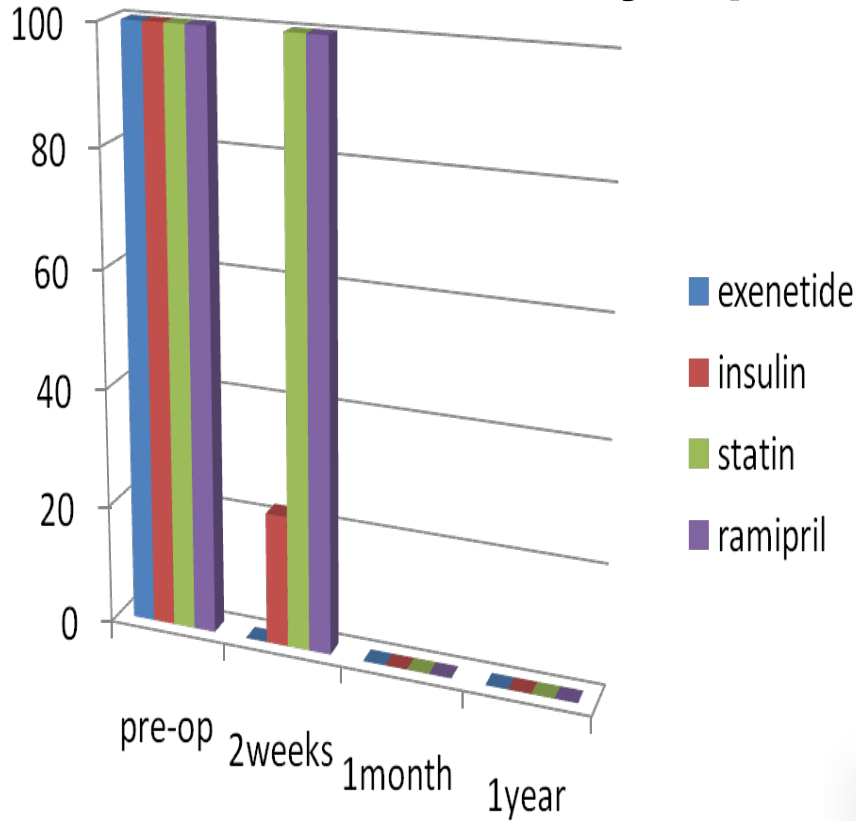


# An Instructive Case:

**Female, 42yo; BMI: 31  
T2DM; Dyslipidemia, Hypertension**

Diabetes

No Diabetes

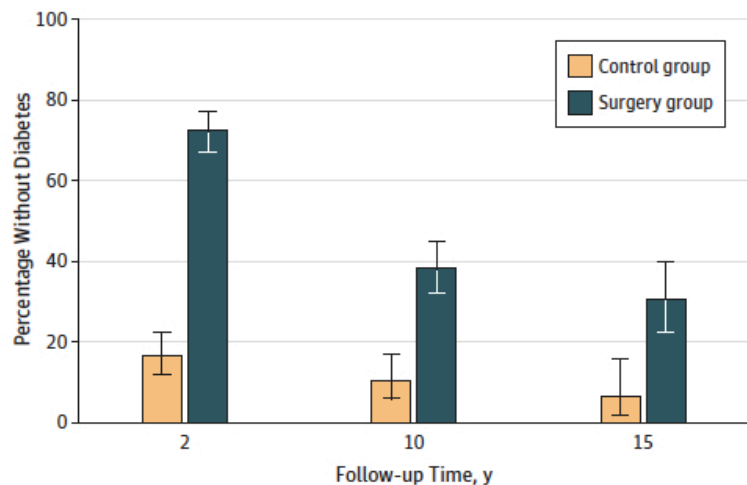


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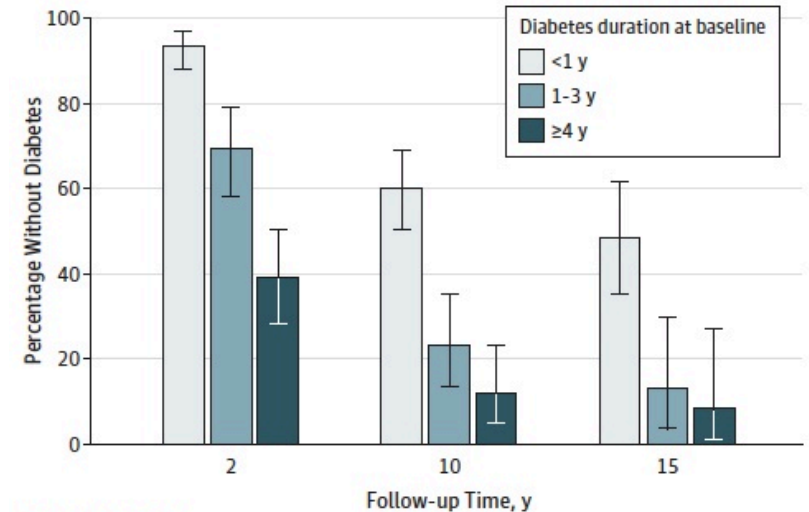
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Figure 2. Diabetes Remission by Diabetes Duration in the Surgery Group



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≥4 y	82	58	24



# Bariatric surgery versus non-surgical treatment for obesity: a systematic review and meta-analysis of randomised controlled trials

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BMJ Oct 22, 2013

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## Study

Mingrone 2012<sup>16</sup>

Schauer 2012<sup>18</sup>

Reis 2010<sup>20</sup>

Ikramuddin 2013<sup>19</sup>

Liang 2013<sup>24</sup>

O'Brien 2006<sup>23</sup>

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Dixon 2008<sup>25</sup>

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Mingrone 2002<sup>17</sup>

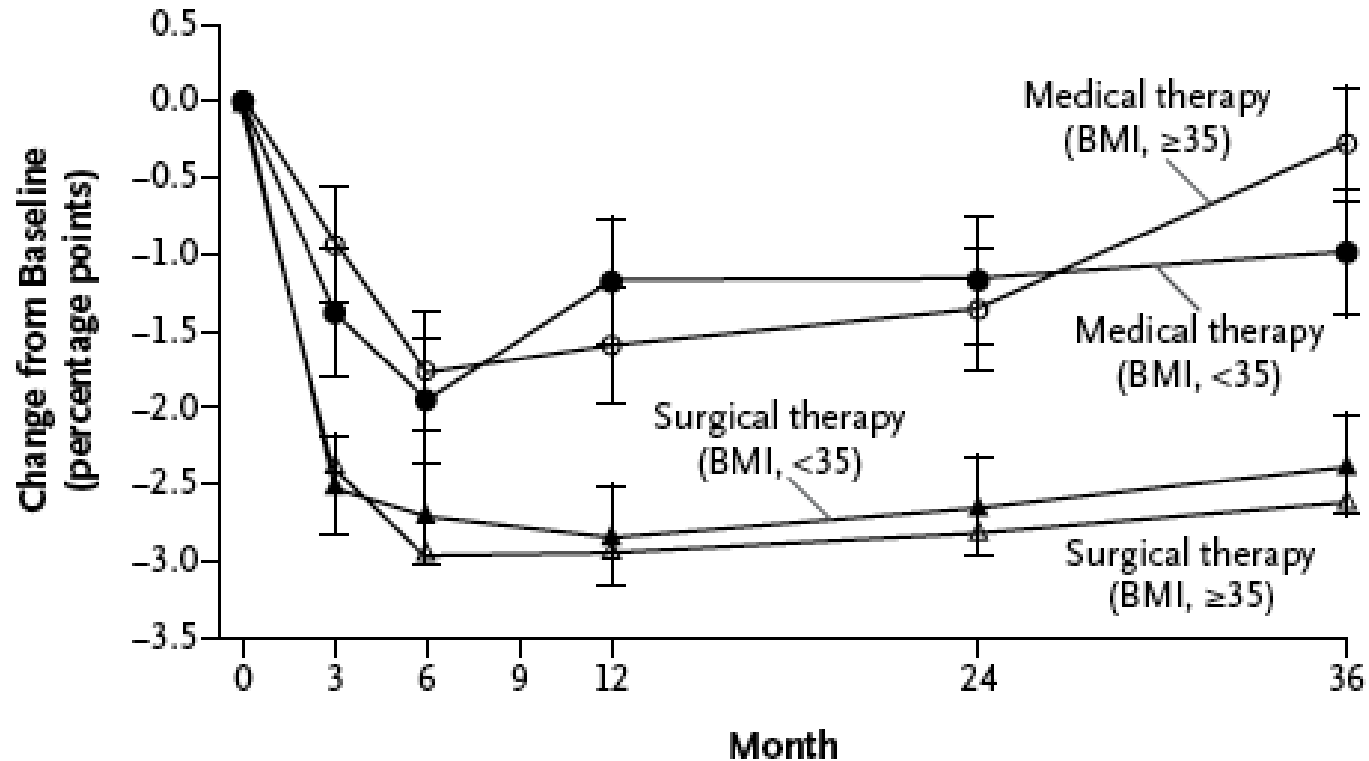
Heindorff 1997<sup>26</sup>

- 11 studies, 796 patients, BMI 27-53
- Surgery superior to med Rx
  - Wt. loss, HbA1c, T2DM remission, TG, HDL, remission of metabolic syndrome, QOL, medication reduction
- No CV events or death after surgery
- Anemia (15%), Reoperation (4-8%)

# BMI < 35 vs. BMI ≥ 35

## Change in HbA1c

### B Glycated Hemoglobin According to Body-Mass Index



#### Value at Visit

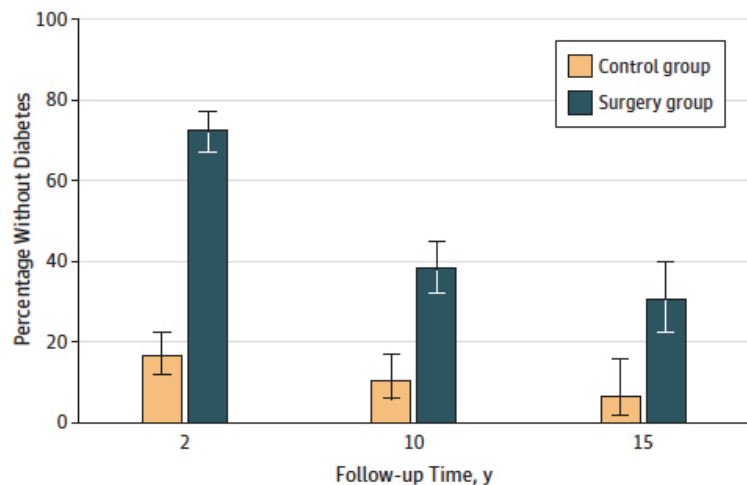
Medical <35 BMI	9.1 (8.9)	7.2 (6.8)	7.9 (6.9)	8.0 (7.4)	8.1 (7.8)
Medical ≥35 BMI	8.8 (8.5)	7.1 (6.8)	7.2 (6.7)	7.4 (6.9)	8.5 (7.3)
Surgical <35 BMI	9.4 (9.1)	6.7 (6.9)	6.6 (6.6)	6.8 (6.8)	7.1 (6.7)
Surgical ≥35 BMI	9.3 (9.2)	6.4 (6.2)	6.4 (6.1)	6.6 (6.4)	6.7 (6.4)

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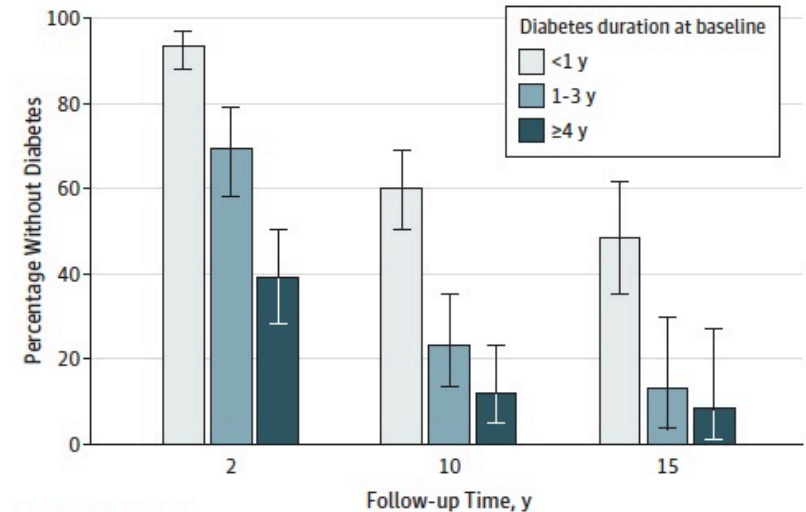
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# STAMPEDE Trial: QoL Changes

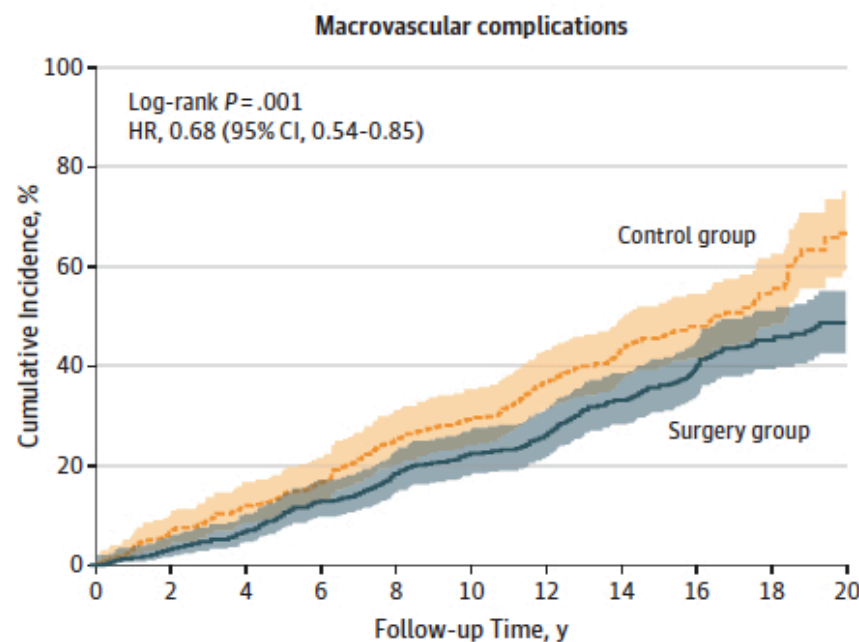
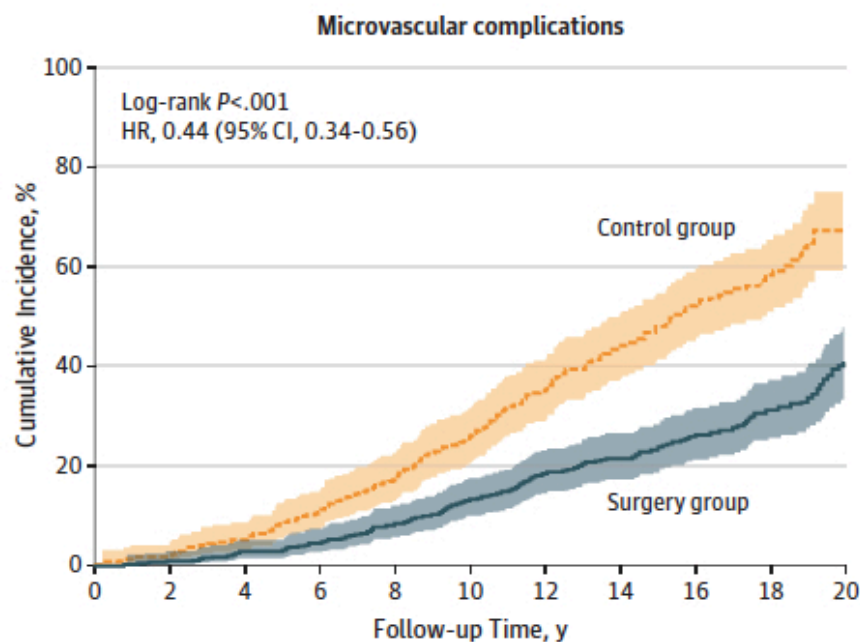
- Gastric Bypass: 5/8 domains improved
- Sleeve Gastrectomy: 2/8 domains improved
- Intensive Med Rx: 0/8 domains improved

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Figure 3. Cumulative Incidence of Microvascular and Macrovascular Diabetes Complications in the Surgery and Control Groups



No. at risk

Control	260	251	239	222	201	177	146	104	68	46	19
Surgery	343	336	326	318	301	280	257	207	160	112	63

	260	240	225	214	191	178	155	116	80	53	20
	343	330	315	294	270	254	238	186	142	92	54

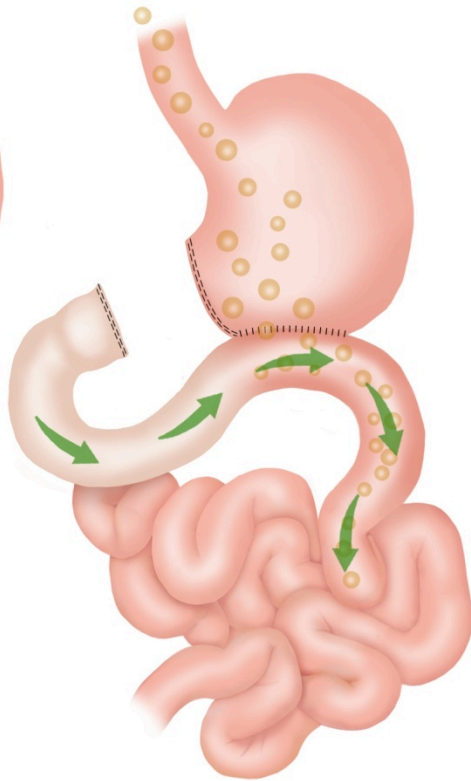
## **Bariatric Surgery Associated With Reduced Long-Term, All-Cause Mortality Compared With Non-Operated Controls**

Study	Procedure	F/U	Mortality Reduction
MacDonald, 1997	RYGB	9 yr	88%
Flum, 2004	RYGB	4.4 yr	33%
Christou, 2004	RYGB	5 yr	89%
Sowemimo, 2007	RYGB	4.4 yr	63%
Dixon, 2007	LAGB	12 yr	72%
Adams, 2007	RYGB	8.4 yr	40%
Sjostrom, 2007	VBG/other	14 yr	31%
Perry, 2008	RYGB/LAGB	2 yr	48%

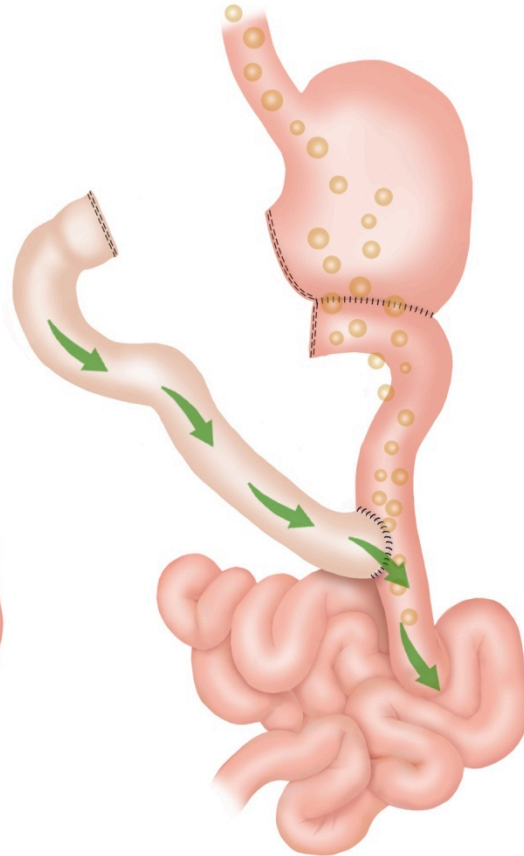
**Is there something special in the mechanism  
of action of bariatric surgery ?**



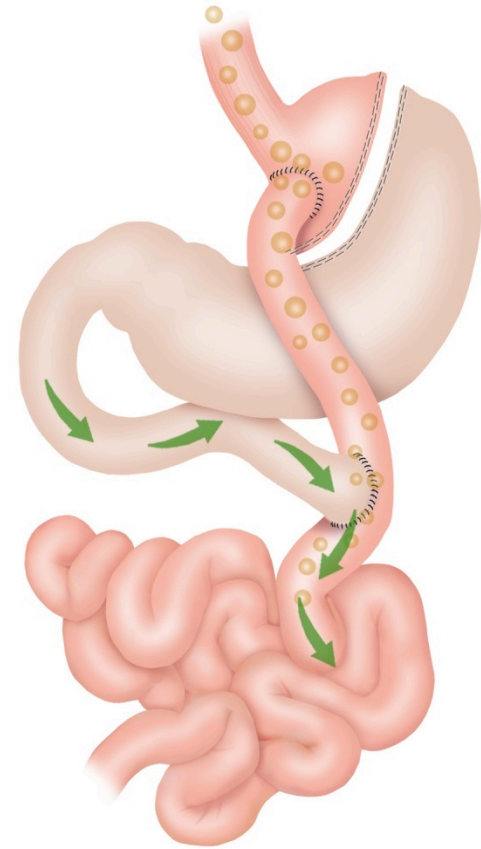
**BI Gastrectomy**



**BII-Gastrectomy**



**RY-Gastrectomy**



**RYGB**



## DIABETES AND OPERATION.

A NOTE ON THE EFFECT OF GASTRO-JEJUNOSTOMY  
UPON A CASE OF MILD DIABETES MELLITUS  
WITH A LOW RENAL THRESHOLD.

BY O. LEYTON, M.D. CAMB., F.R.C.P. LOND.,  
PHYSICIAN TO THE LONDON HOSPITAL.

How can we account for the apparent improvement? The glycosuria was absent after operation in spite of a diet containing a fair amount of carbohydrate. In order to determine whether the operation

### THE AMELIORATION OF DIABETES MELLITUS FOLLOWING SUBTOTAL GASTRECTOMY

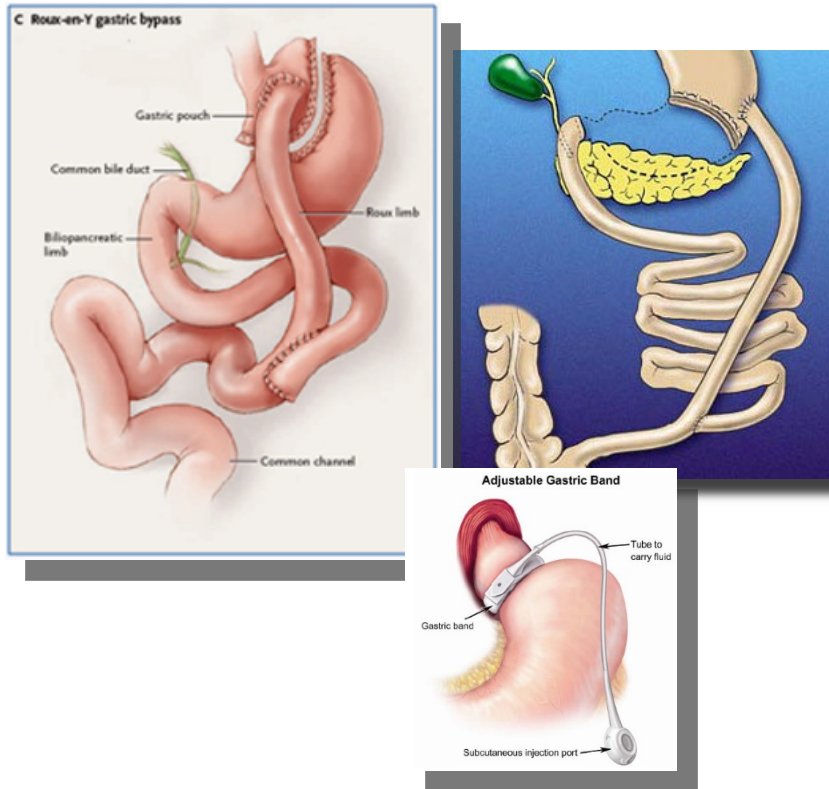
MURRY N. FRIEDMAN, M.D., F.A.C.S., ANTONIO J. SANCETTA, M.D., and  
GEORGE J. MAGOVERN, M.D., Brooklyn, New York

1955

IN 1923, MURLIN noted the presence of a substance in extracts of the pancreas which could raise the blood sugar. Subsequently, this hyperglycemic factor was demonstrated

and duodenum. Therefore, when subtotal gastrectomy for duodenal ulcer resulted in marked amelioration of the diabetic state in 3 patients at the Brooklyn Veterans Hospi-

# Reports of Diabetes Remission after Bariatric Surgery Procedures



- Jejunio-ileal bypass
  - Ahmad et al; Diabetes Care 1978
  - Ackerman NB. Surg Gynecol Obstet. 1981
- Vertical banded gastroplasty
  - Neve HJ et al; Obesity Surg 1993
- Biliopancreatic diversion
  - Scopinaro et al; WJS 1998
- Gastric Bypass
  - Printen et al; Am Surg 1979
  - Pories et al; Ann Surg. 1987
  - Pories et al; Ann Surg 1992

Despite surgical control of diabetes was reported since 1925, the effect (and opportunity) remained unknown to the scientific community through the XX century

- Segmentation of medical specialties in XX-century medicine
- Diabetes considered invariably chronic and progressive disease > things that cannot be explained are often looked with skepticism in medicine
- Prevailing view that obesity leads to diabetes and that weight loss improves hyperglycemia > surgical control of diabetes after bariatric surgery not enough “incongruous” to inspire new hypothesis
- For most of the XX-century the GI tract was regarded as merely a tube for digestion and absorption of nutrients
- As an implicitly organ-focused intervention, surgery could not be seen as a rational solution for a systemic disease such as diabetes.

# 1999

- ▶ First Protocol for a Randomized Clinical Study of Diabetes Surgery Submitted to IRB (Mount Sinai Medical Center, New York)

**RCT comparing Gastric Bypass Surgery vs Intensive Medical Therapy in patients with BMI 30–35**

**The IRB does not approve**

## Effect of Duodenal–Jejunal Exclusion in a Non-obese Animal Model of Type 2 Diabetes

### *A New Perspective for an Old Disease*

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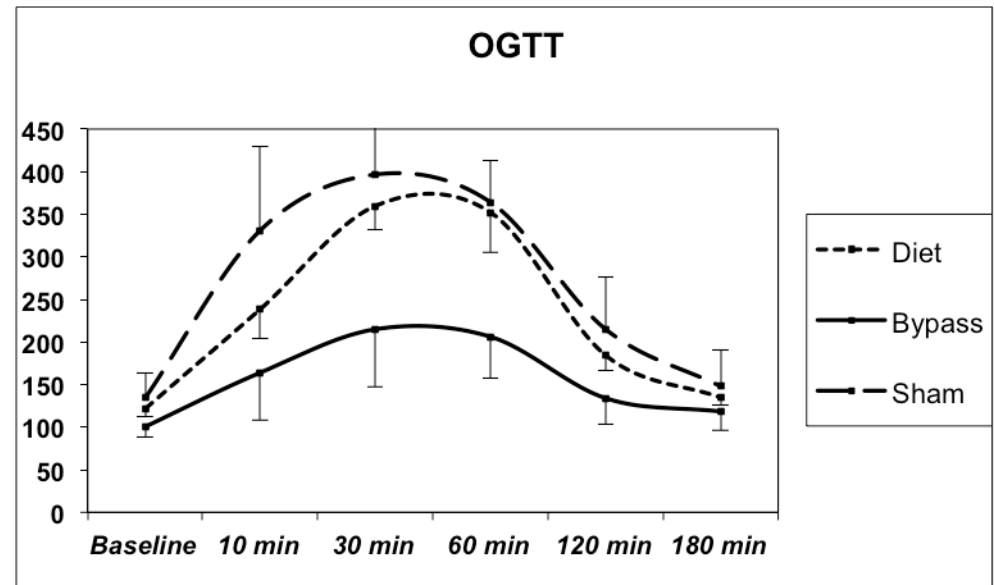
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*(Ann Surg 2004;239: 1–11)*



**GK-Rat**  
**Lean, type 2 diabetes**  
**Hyperinsulinism**  
**Insulin resistance**  
**(Nature Genetics 1996)**



January 2004

FEATURE

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First experimental evidence that diabetes resolution is a weight-independent, direct effect of GI surgery

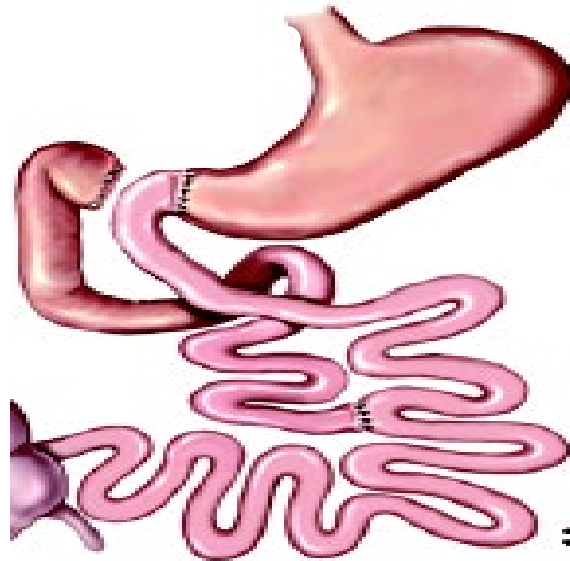
Rationale for DIABETES SURGERY

# Gastrointestinal Bypass Improves Glucose Homeostasis in Rodents by Weight Independent Mechanisms



## **GK-Rat (Lean)**

Rubino et al, Ann Surg 2004  
Rubino et al, Ann Surg 2006  
Pacheco et al, Am J Surg 2007  
Cheng et al, Ann Surg 2008  
Kindel et al J Gastr Surg 2009  
Saberri et al (Diabetes 2013)



## **Obese mice**

Troy et al, Cell Metabolism, Sept 2008

## **Streptoz. Diabetes**

Breen et al, Nature Med 2011

## **Type 1 Diabetes**

Breen et al, Nature Med 2011

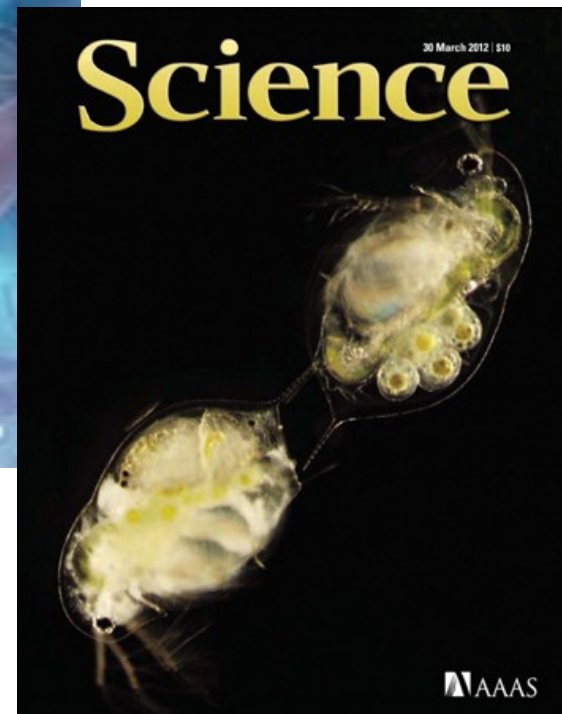
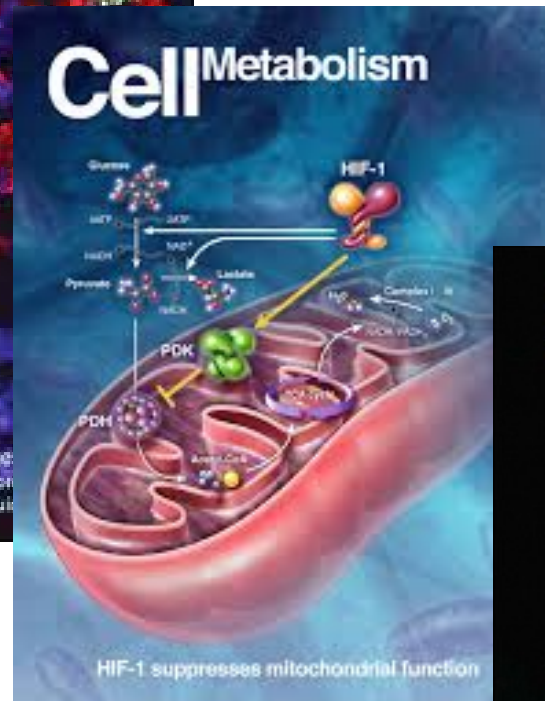
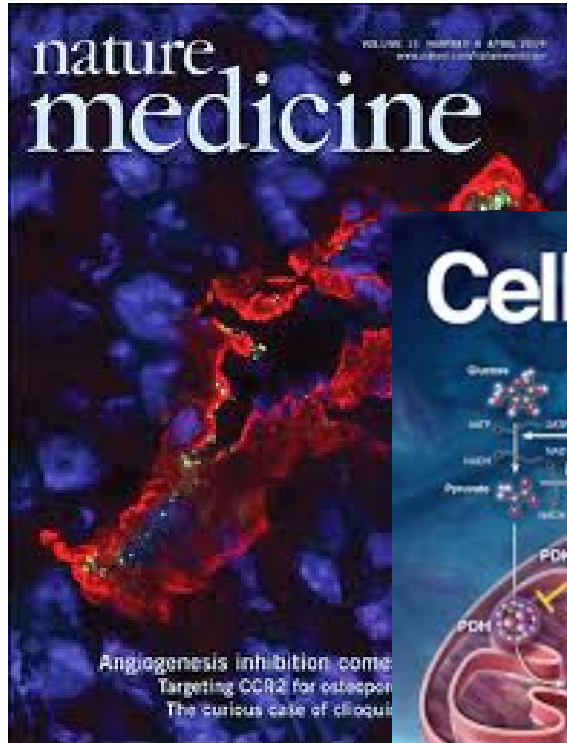
## **Obese - Diabetic rat**

Rubino et al, Endocrinology 2005  
Saberri et al, Diabetes 2013  
Patel et al. Obesity 2013



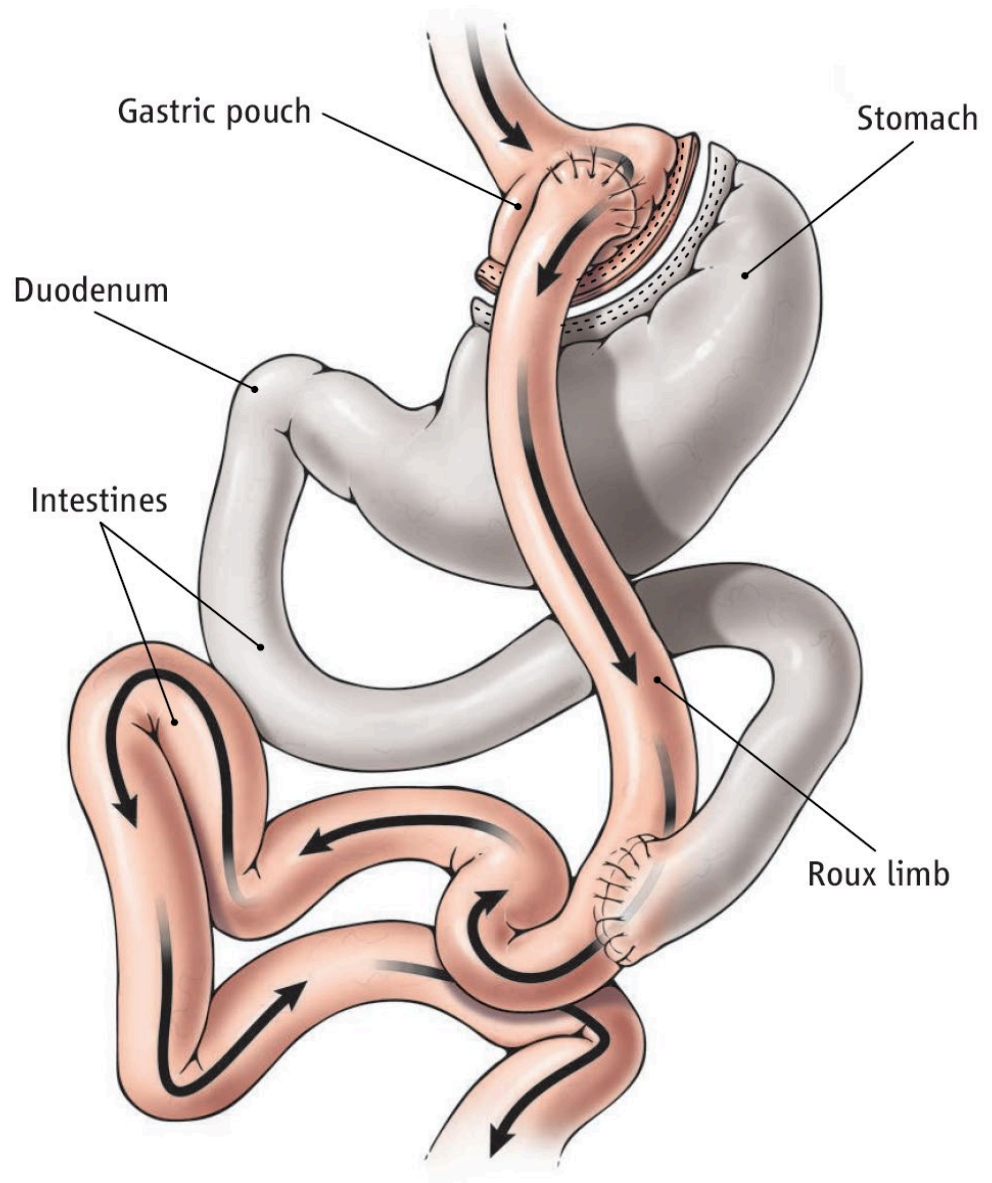
# Mechanisms of Action of GI Surgery

## 2004-2014

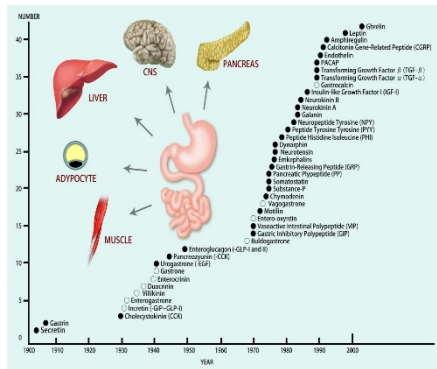




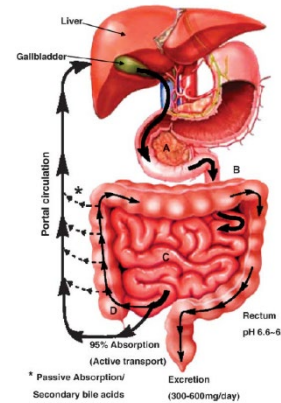
# How Does Surgery work?



# Mechanisms of Surgical Control of Diabetes

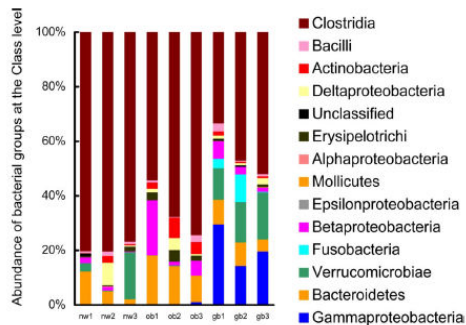


Gut Hormones

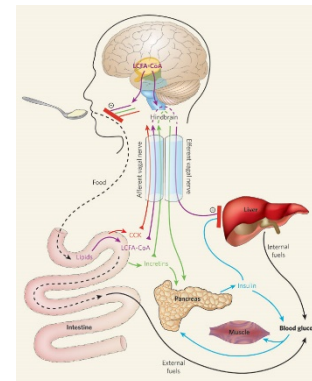


Bile Acids

-intestinal glucose re-programming (Science 2013)  
 -intestinal gluconeogenesis  
 -others

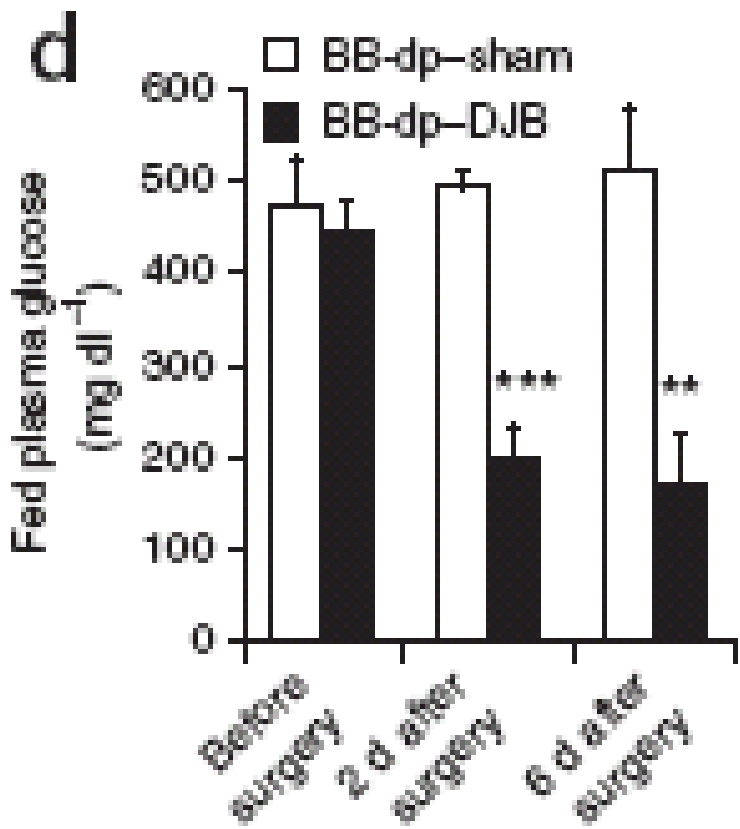


Microbiota



Nutrient Sensing

# Glucose-lowering effect of DJB in absence of insulin

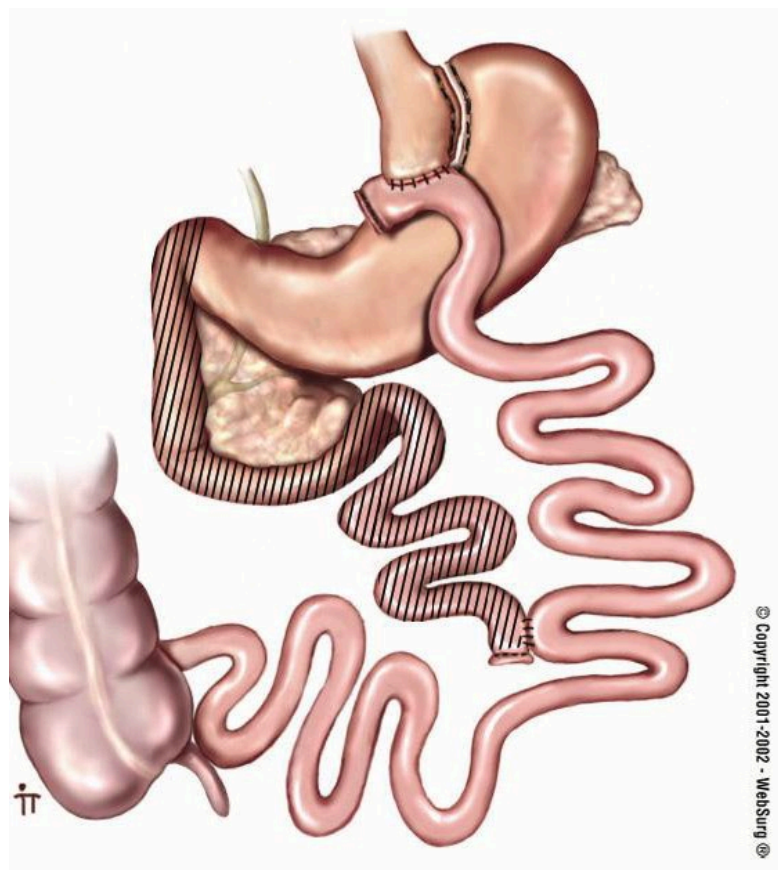


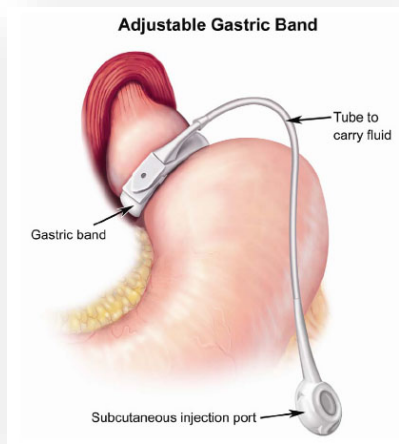
**Non-obese type 1 diabetic mice**

Breen *et al.*  
*Nature Medicine* 2012

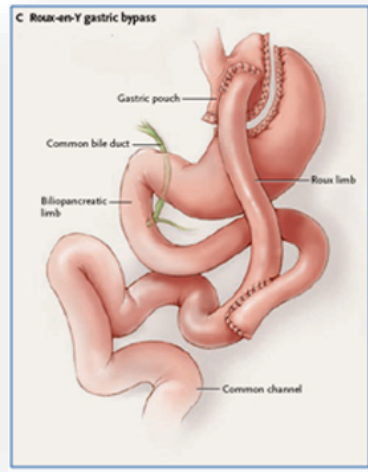
<b>Courtesy of Dr Lee Kaplan</b>	<b>Gastric Band</b>	<b>Sleeve Gastrex</b>	<b>RYGB</b>	<b>DJB</b>	<b>BPD</b>	<b>Ileal Inter-position</b>	<b>Endo-luminal Sleeve</b>
<b>Gastric Restriction</b>	✓	✓	✓		±		
<b>Gastrectomy</b>		✓			✓		
<b>Altered gastric function</b>	✓	✓	✓		✓		?
<b>Gastric exclusion</b>			✓				
<b>Duodenal exclusion</b>			✓	✓	✓		✓
<b>Enhanced distal nutrient delivery</b>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Malabsorption</b>					✓		
<b>Partial vagotomy</b>	±		✓		?		

# Evidence for anti-diabetic effects of proximal intestinal bypass

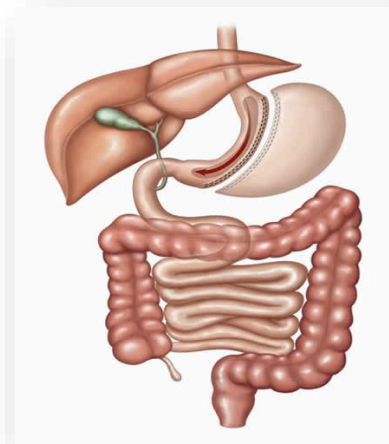




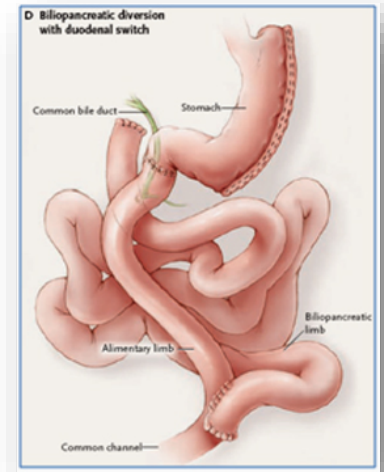
Gastric Banding



RY Gastric Bypass



Sleeve Gastrectomy

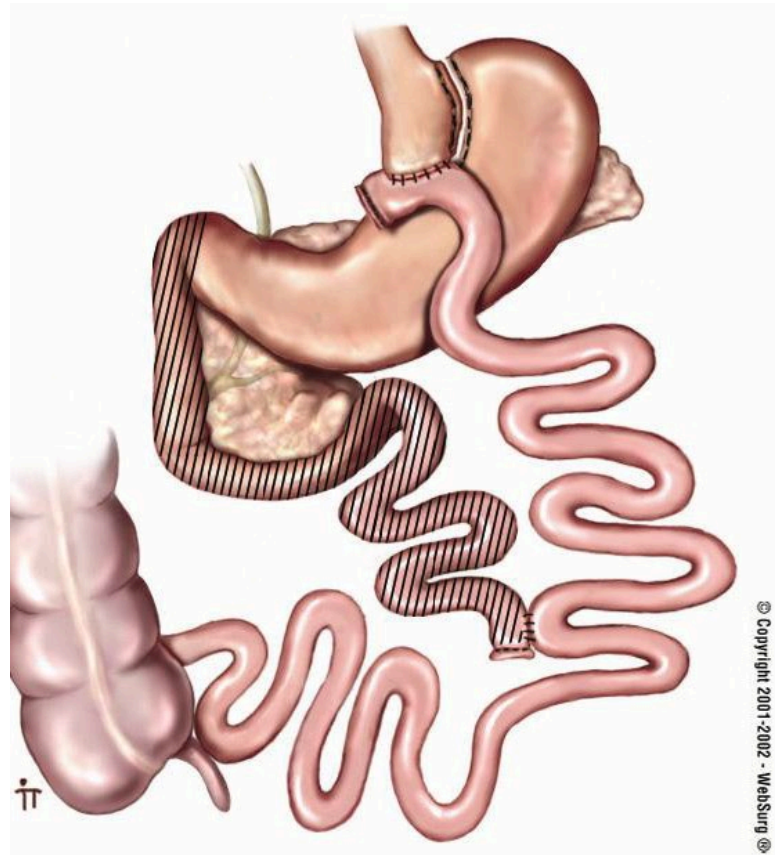


BPD

All improve Diabetes, although with different potency and likely distinct mechanisms

**RCTs and clinical series suggest**

**Gradient BPD > RYGB > Sleeve > Banding**



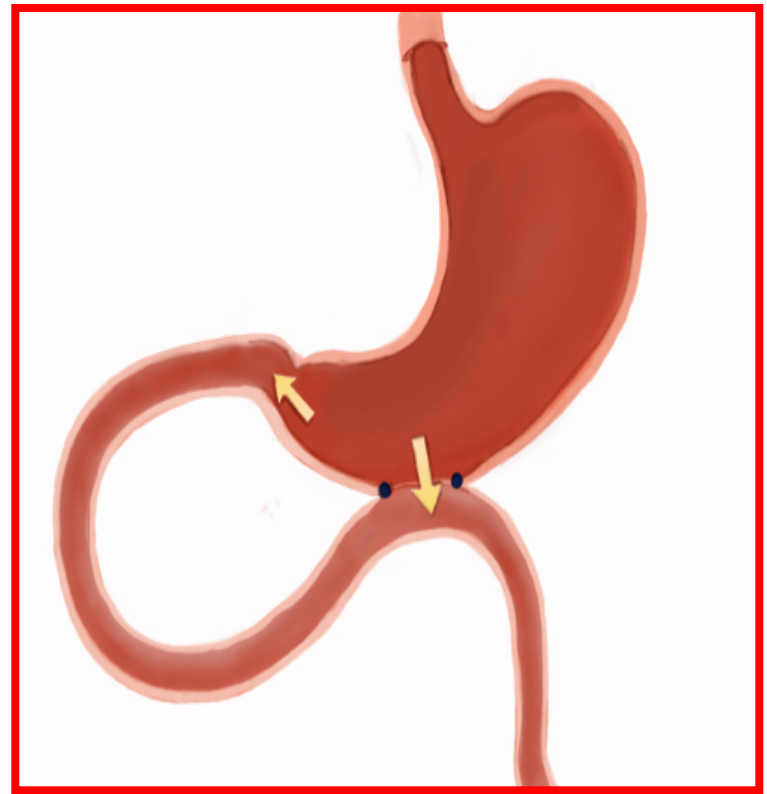
Lower Intestinal  
vs.  
Upper Intestinal  
Hypothesis?

# Duodenal (Jejunal) Exclusion



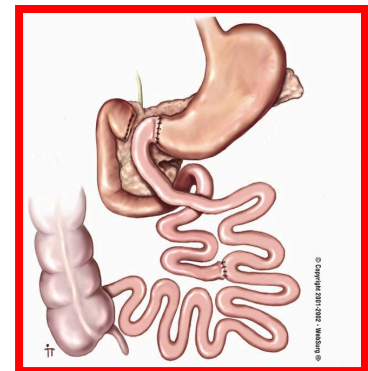
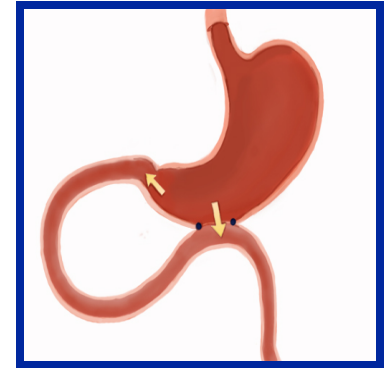
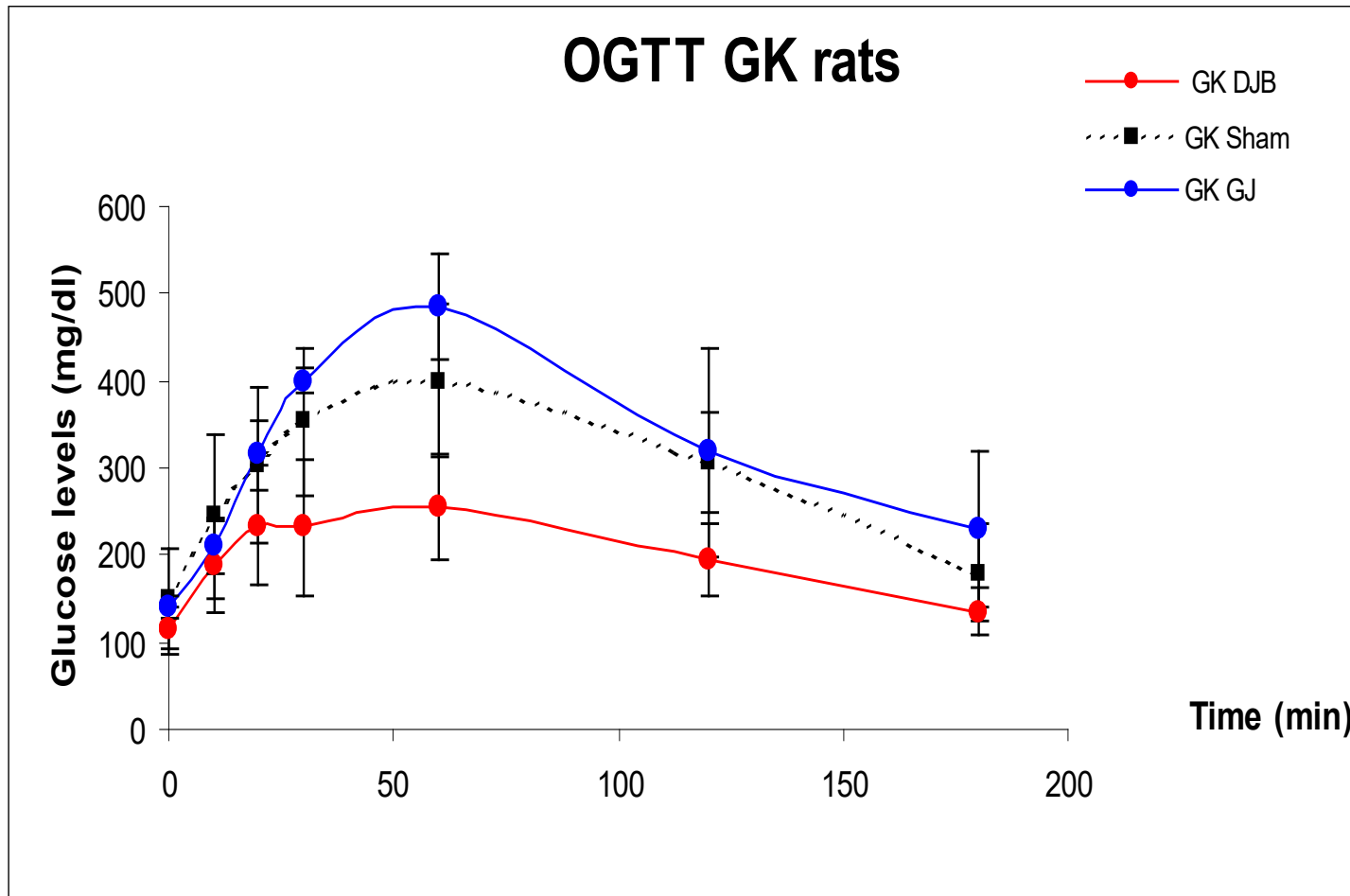
# Gastro-jejunal Anastomosis

(enhanced distal delivery of nutrients)

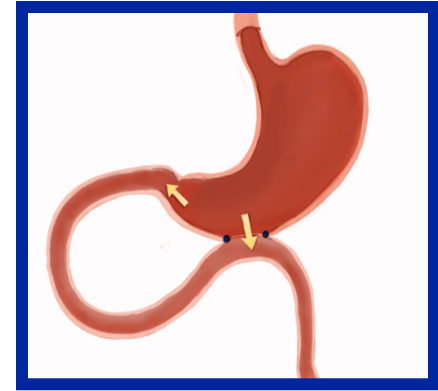
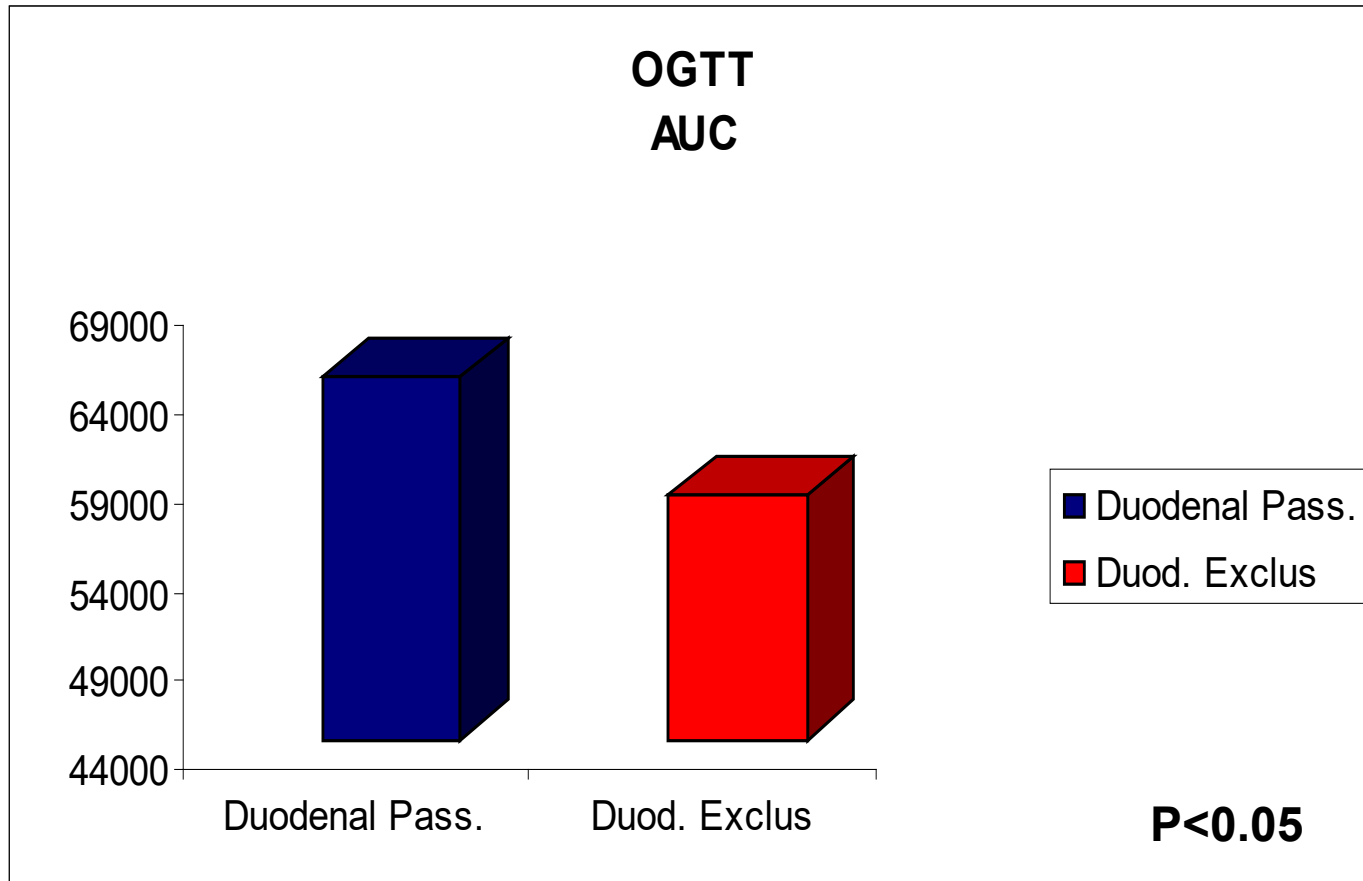




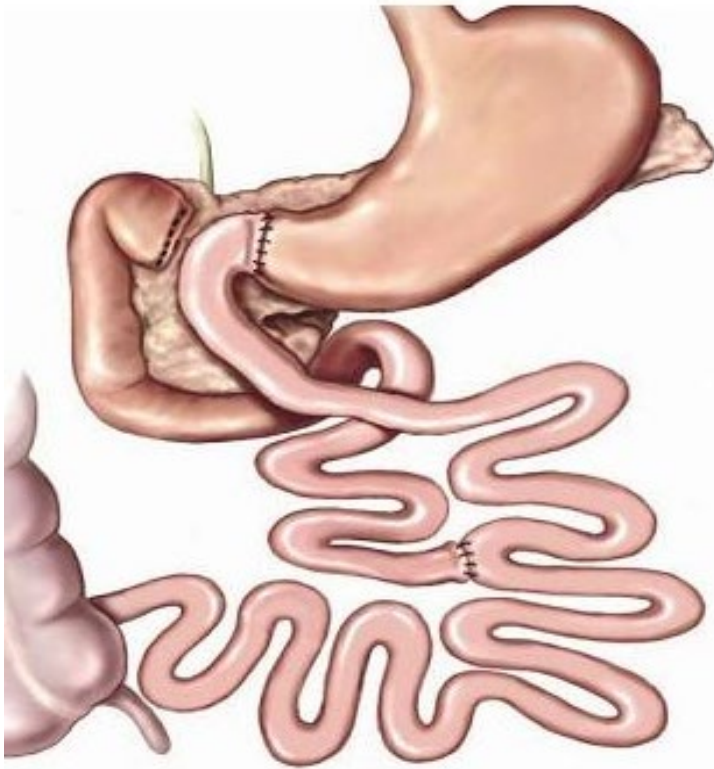
# G-J Anastomosis alone does not Improve Diabetes in Rats



# Adding Duodenal Exclusion to GJ improves diabetes in rats



# Restoration of Duodenal Passage after DJB worsens glucose tolerance



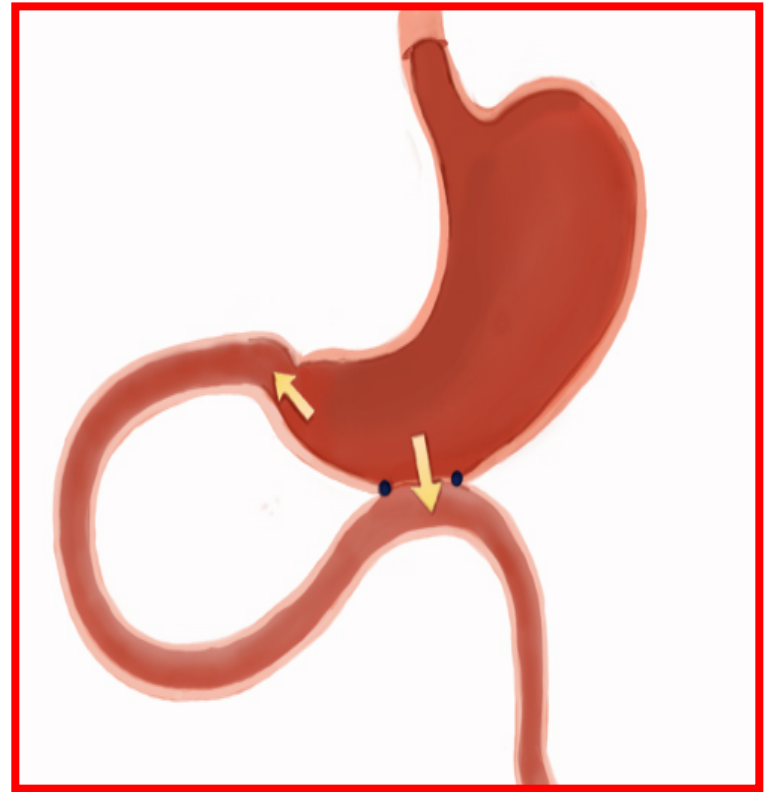
**AUC OGTT X 2**

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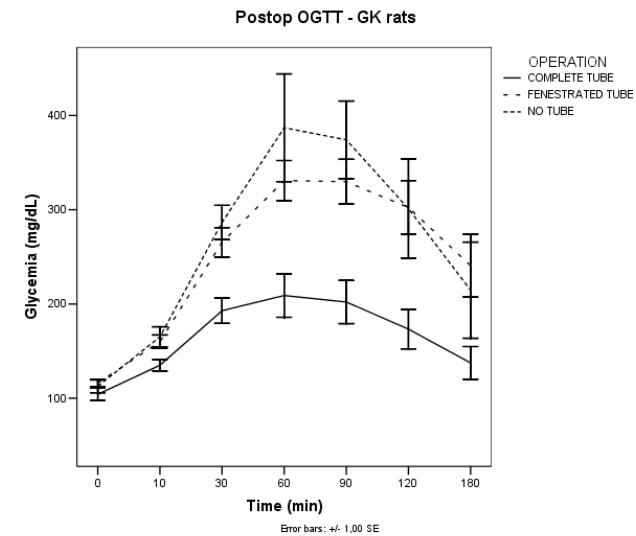
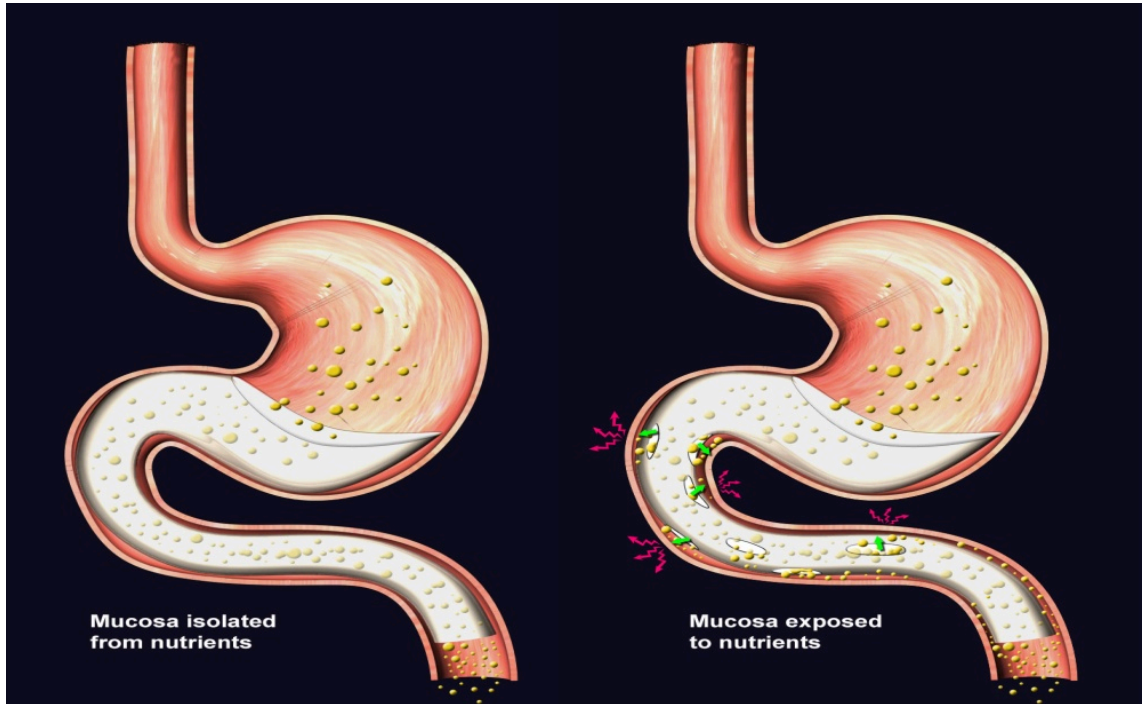
Improves DM in rats

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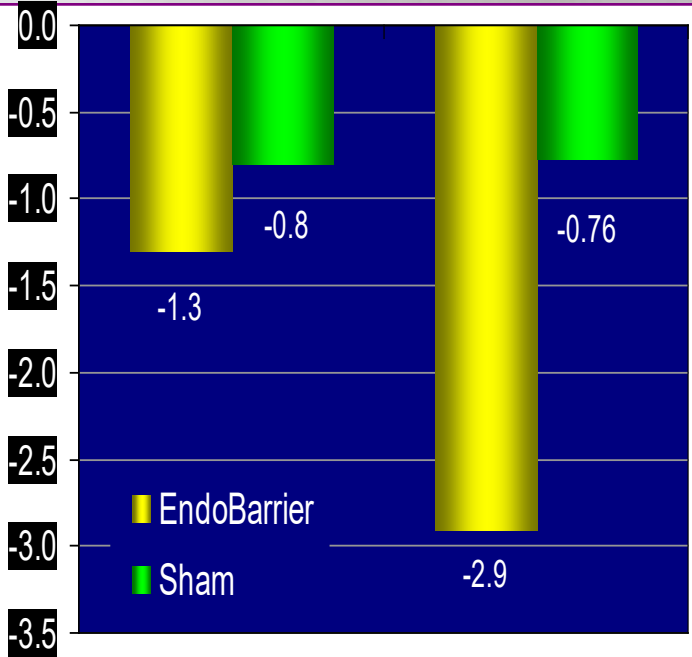
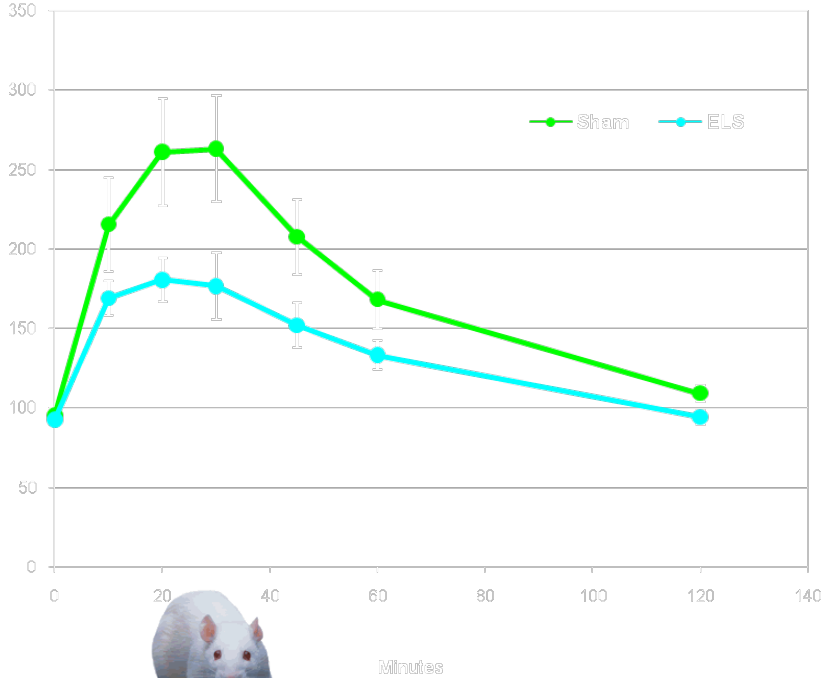


No Effect on DM in rats

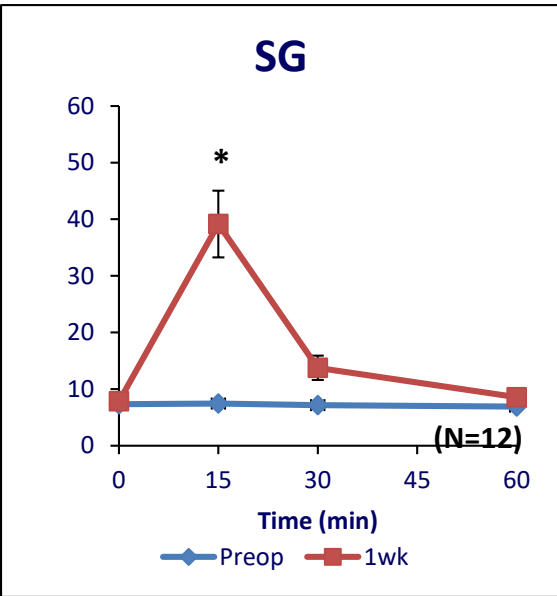
# Duodenal Jejunal Exclusion has distinct anti-diabetic effects



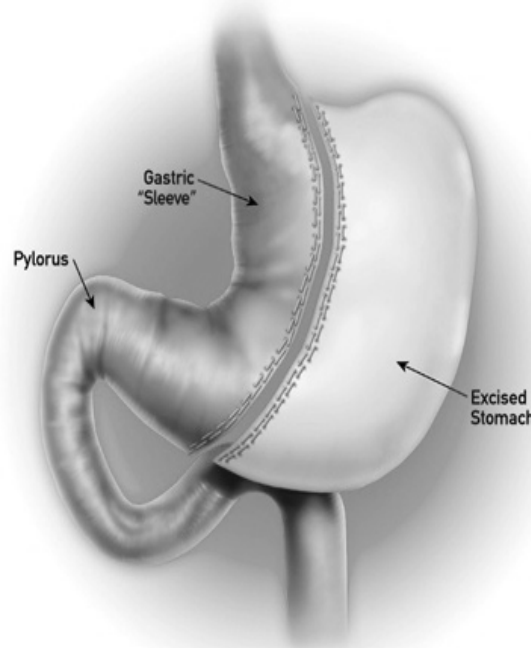
# ELS Improves IP Glucose Tolerance (Kaplan et al)



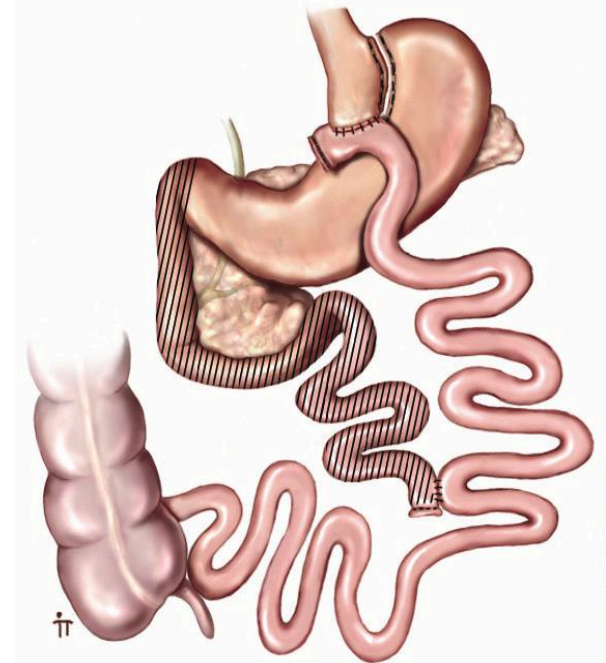
rapid rise and fall of postprandial GLP-1



Effects of SG not abolished in GLP-1R KO mice (Wilson-Perez et al; Diabetes 2013)



injection of GLP1-R Antagonist does not DOES NOT reverse improvement of diabetes in humans who had RYGB (Jimenez et al; Diabetes Care 2013)



GLP-1 not the principal mediator of Diabetes remission after bariatric surgery

# Bypass of the Proximal Intestine :

## How Does it Work?

Other endocrine mechanisms?

**Paracrine mechanisms ?**

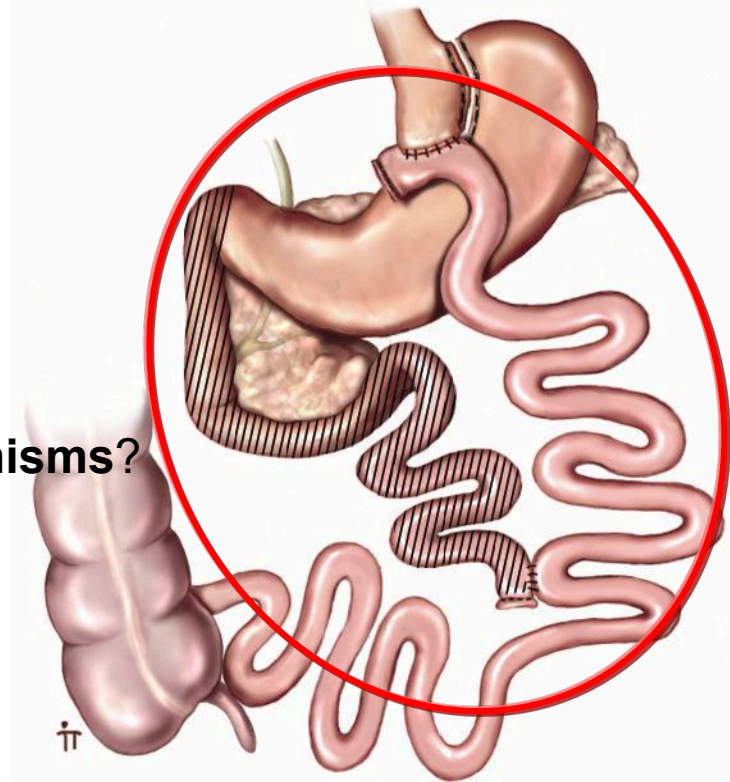
**Changes in gut microbiota ?**

**Alterations in bile acid metabolism?**

**Changes in nutrient sensing mechanisms?**

**Anti-incretins?**

Others?





# Is Type 2 Diabetes an Operable Intestinal Disease?

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A provocative yet reasonable hypothesis

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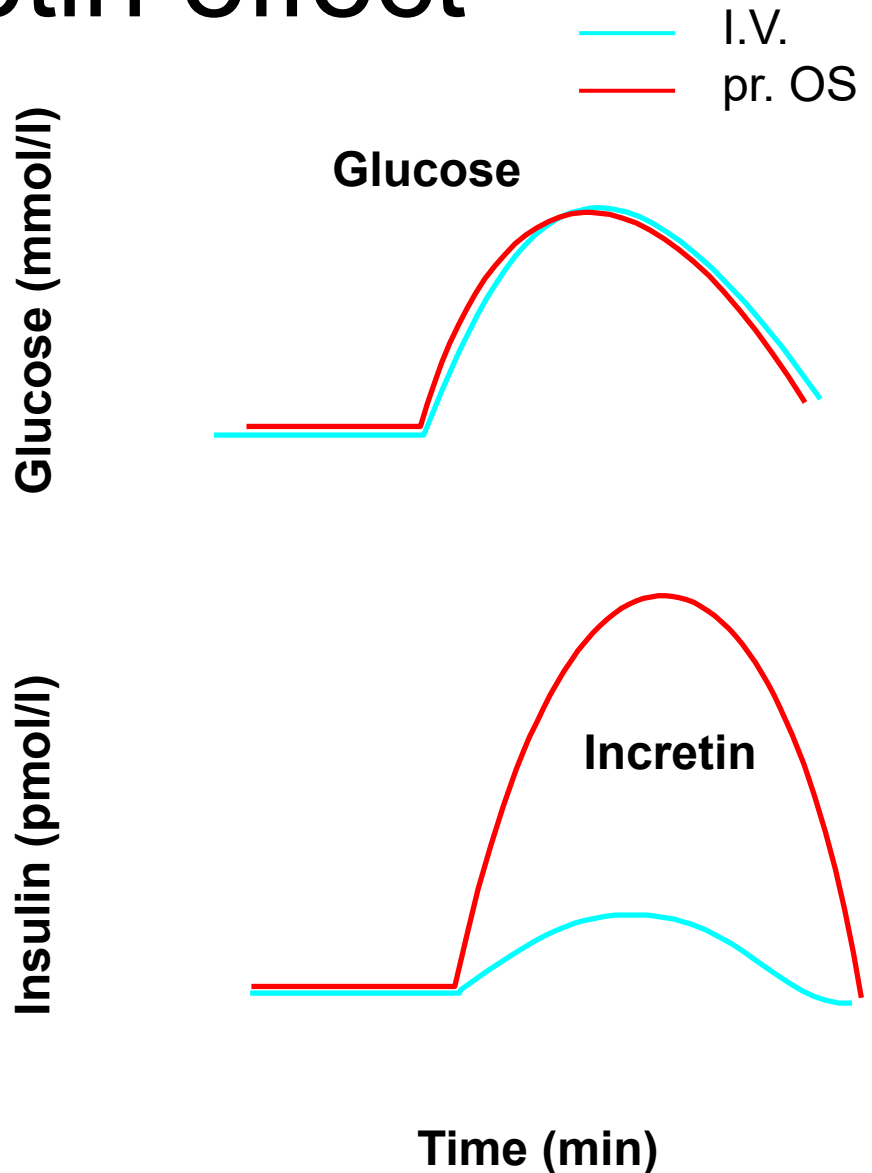
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# The incretin effect

- 70% of post-glucose insulin secretion is due to the incretin effect
- The incretin effect is due to gut hormones;



# Glucose Lowering Mechanisms in the Postprandial State

**Nutrients Passage in the GI Tract Induces:**

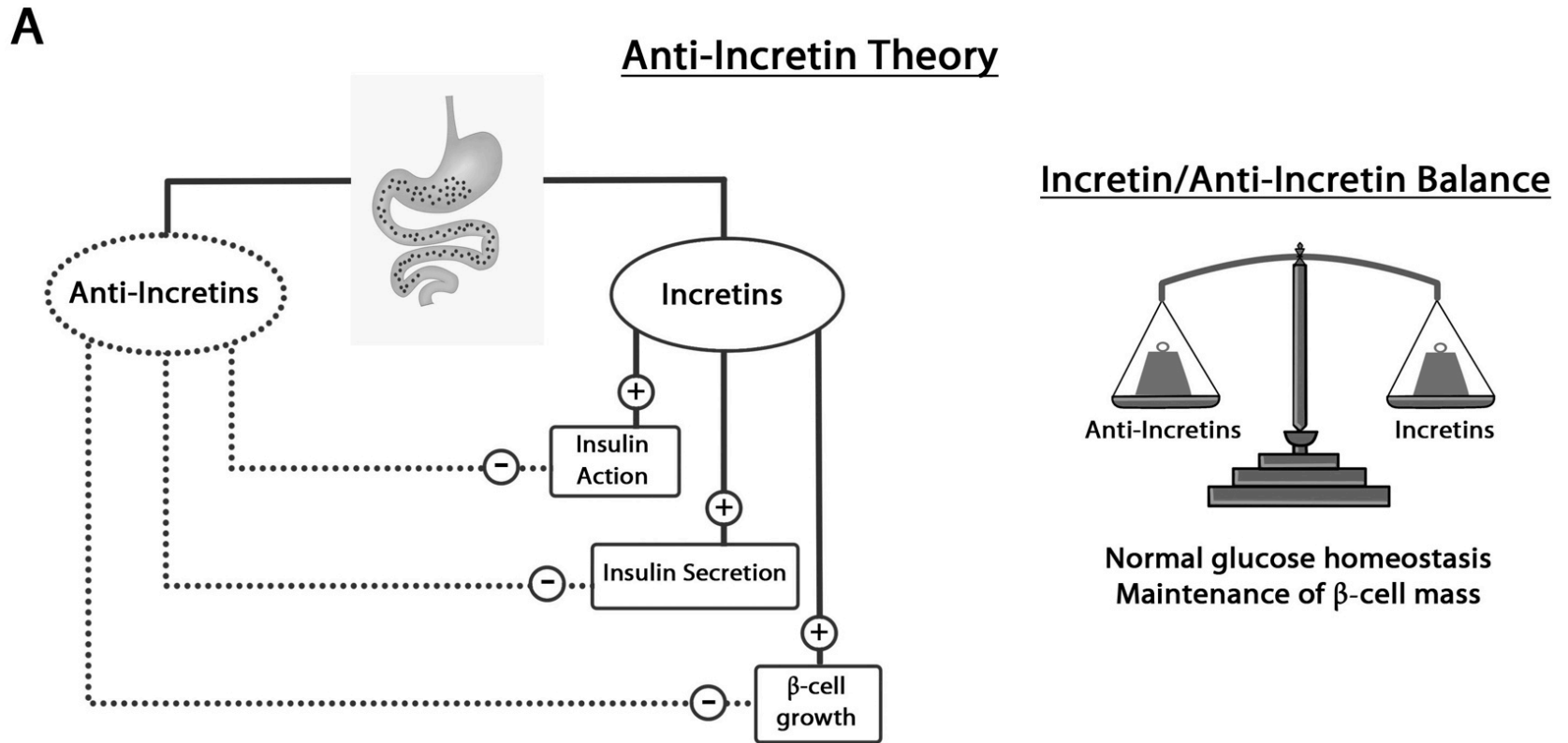
- Suppression of ghrelin
  - Increase in GLP-1/GIP
  - Suppression of Glucagon
  - Increase in Insulin
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- Reduction of hepatic glucose production (nutrient sensing) (Lam et al, Nature)
  - Increased intestinal glucose uptake (Stilopulous et al Science 2013)



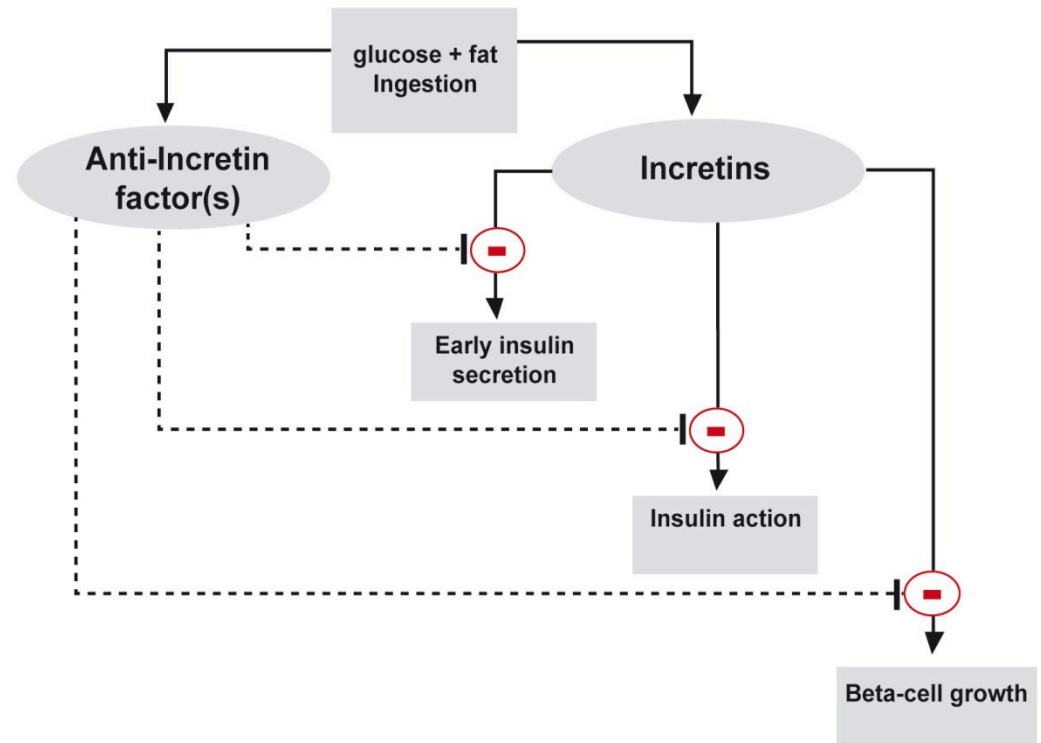
**>>> GLUCOSE LOWERING EFFECT**

# Anti-incretin Theory

(Ann Surg 2002; Ann Surg 2004; Diabetes Care 2009;  
Nature Rev Endo 2010; Diabetes July 2014)



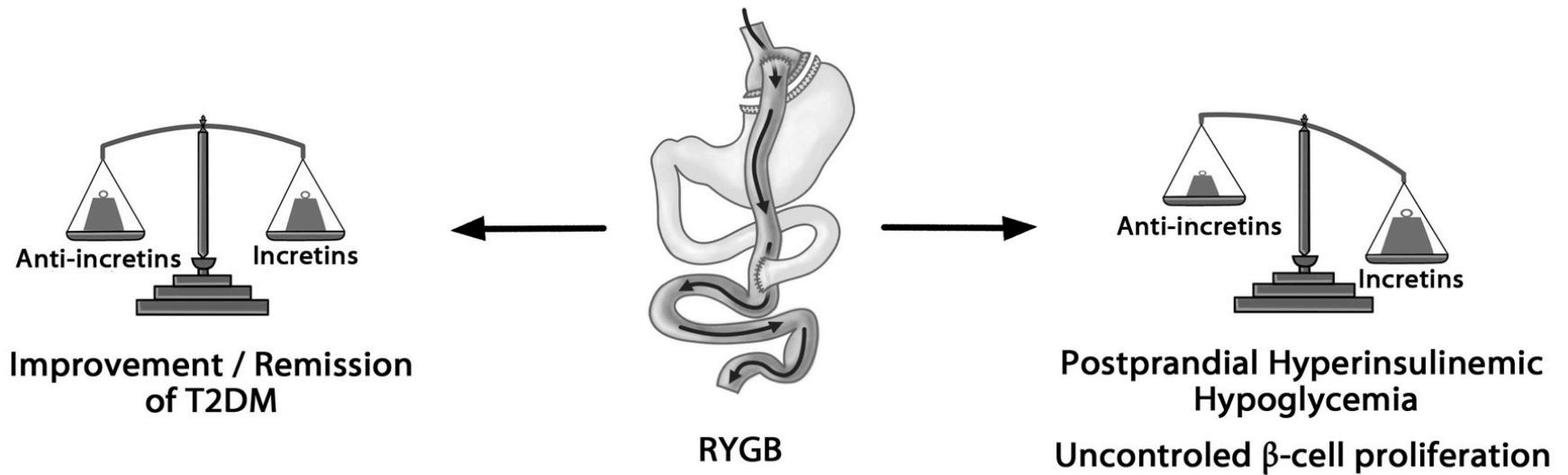
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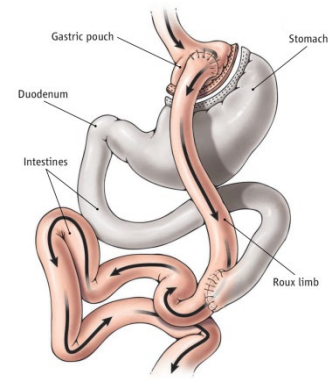
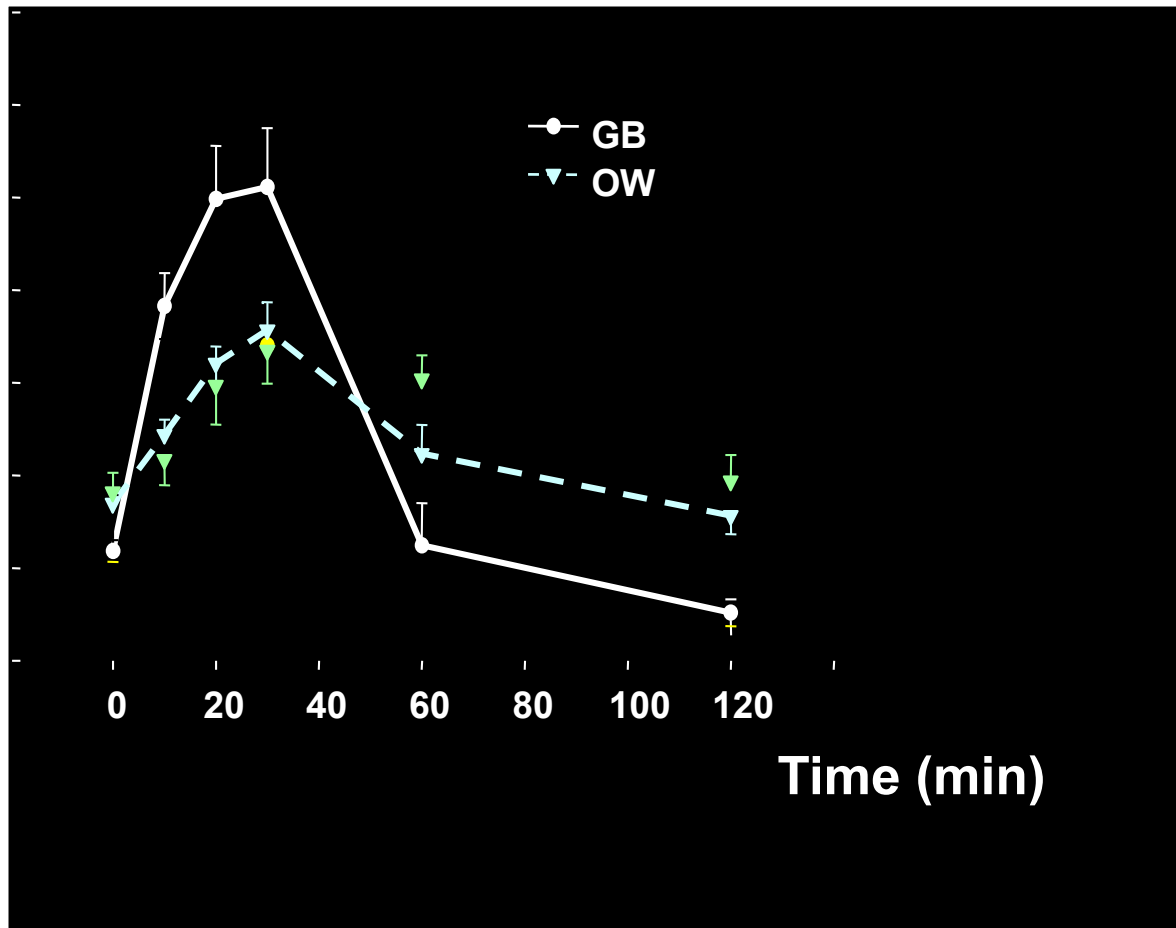
Foodborne stimuli may cause exaggerated/untimely activation of anti-incretin mechanisms, which may act as a diabetogenic factor

# Anti-incretin Theory may Explain Benefits and Complications of RYGB

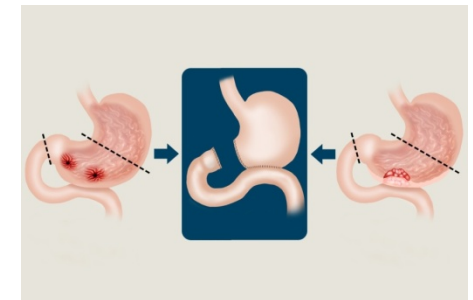
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# Glucose Excursions after Alterations of GI Anatomy Suggest Disruption of Physiologic Incretin/Anti-Incretin Balance



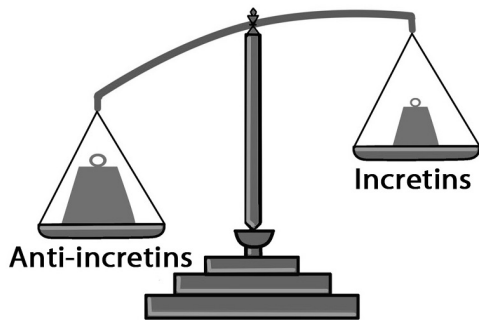
Post-RYGB



Post-gastrectomy

# Predictions

## Too Much Anti-Incretin



Insulin resistance  
Impaired  $\beta$ -cell function  
 $\beta$ -cell depletion

(Type 2 Diabetes)

Excess anti-incretin results in IR and/or beta-cell Dysfunction/depletion

**>> gut factors from subjects with IR or diabetes should be able to induce IR in normal cells/subjects**



# Jejunal Proteins Secreted by db/db Mice or Insulin- Resistant Humans Impair the Insulin Signaling and Determine Insulin Resistance

S. Salinari, C. Debard , A. Bertuzzi , C. Durand, P. Zimmet, H. Vidal, G. Mingrone

**PLOS ONE 2013**



Proteins from  
duodenum-jejunum  
of diabetic mice  
(db/db)



Normal Mice Soleus  
Muscle

L-cells skeletal  
muscle

➤ **Insulin  
Resistance**



Normal, Swiss Mice

Intraperitoneal  
Insulin Tolerance Test  
IPITT

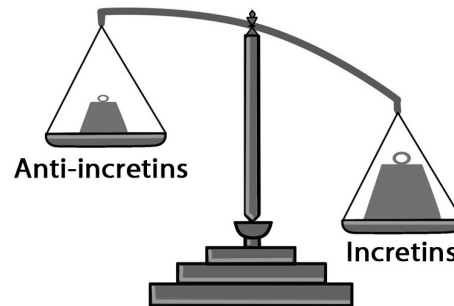
➤ **Reduced Insulin  
Sensitivity  
(minimal model)**

# Predictions

incretin/anti-incretin balance ensures control of beta-cell proliferation/growth

- **Uncoupling or net reduction of anti-incretin mechanisms by disruption of GI anatomy can cause beta-cell proliferation**

## Not Enough Anti-Incretin



Postprandial hyperinsulinemic hypoglycemia  
Uncontrolled  $\beta$ -cell proliferation

# Beta-Cell Proliferation after RYGB/DJB Suggests Disruption of Physiologic Regulation of Beta-Cell Growth

RYGB vs Sham Operation in non diabetic animals (pigs)

RYGB > Increased in  $\beta$ -cell mass,  
Increased islet number  
- increased number of extraislet  $\beta$ -cells  
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Lindqvist et al; Diabetes May 2014 63:5 1665-1671

Decreased beta-cell loss in GK rats after DJB  
(Speck M et al; Am J Phys End Met 2011)

Nesidioblastosis after RYGB in humans<sup>†</sup>  
(Service et al; NEJM 2005)

Heterotopic (gastric) pancreatic mass after RYGB in humans  
(Guimares et al; BMC Surg 2013)

Proof Only



# Is the Gut the “Sweet Spot” for the Treatment of Diabetes?



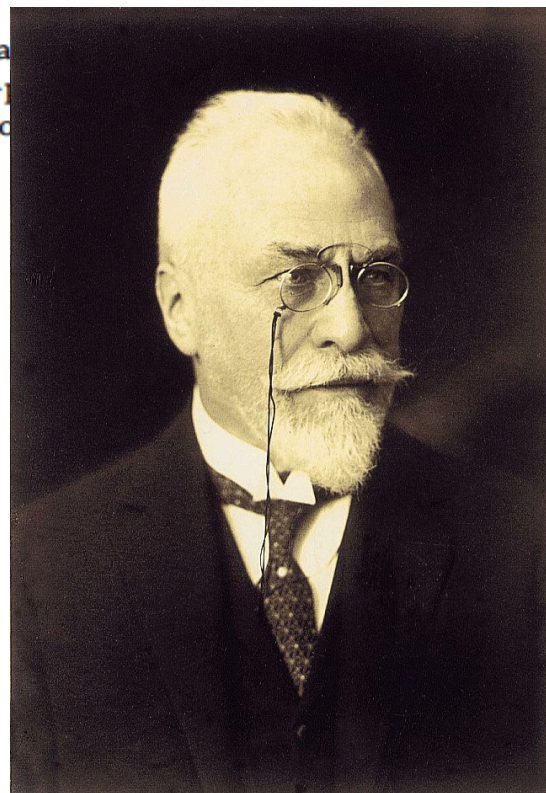
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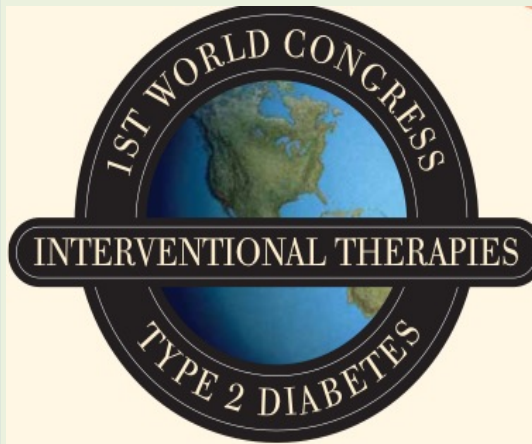
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